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Mr. William K. Reilly Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 401 M Street, S.W. Mail Code A-100 Washington, DC 20460

Dear Mr. Reilly:

It has been brought to my attention that the Ethyl Corporation has requested a waiver to permit the use of its HiTECH 3000 fuel additive in unleaded gasoline.

Ethyl representatives have indicated that HiTECH 3000 has been in use in Canada for over a decade and that studies of the additive have shown no indications of health or substantial automotive problems. In fact, Ethyl's two year test of the additive was designed with EPA's help and the test fleet's composition was based on the recommendations of the US automobile industry.

I understand that some environmental concerns have been raised about the product, and I encourage EPA to examine the application thoroughly. It appears, though, that the use of HiTECH 3000 has a positive impact on the environment in that its use would reduce carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxide tailpipe emissions substantially with a minimal increase in hydrocarbon emissions, and this should help meet the goals set by the Clean Air Act.

I would appreciate your giving the request for a waiver by the Ethyl Corporation appropriate consideration.

With kindest regards, I am

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